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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application of: Russo *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/441,242

Art Unit: 1636

Filed: November 16, 1999

Examiner: J. Shuman

For: TCL-1 Gene And Protein And
Related Methods And
Compositions

Attorney Docket No.: 8666-008-999

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated April 19, 2000, please consider the remarks below. Applicants submit concurrently herewith (a) a Petition for Extension of Time for five months, up to and including October 19, 2000, accompanied by the appropriate fee; and (b) a Information Disclosure Statement accompanied with a revised form PTO 1449 "List of References Cited by Applicant."

REMARKS

The Examiner has required a restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 5-7, 13, 17, 18 and 19, drawn to a TCL-1 protein, a TCL-1 fusion protein, a method of making a TCL-1 protein, and proteins homologous to a TCL-1 protein;